

WOMEN HIT
POLICE LINE

Football Tactics by Suffragettes in London Today

RESULTS IN SERIOUS RIOT

200 Arrests Were Made and Many Women Were Knocked Down and Injured in Street—Toughs Rushed the Women, Too.

London, Nov. 18.—Three hundred suffragettes made an attack upon the police this morning in an attempt to enter the parliament buildings. An enormous sympathetic crowd assisted the women, making additional police necessary. Later the situation became still more serious when hoodlums attacked the women. In the rioting which followed, two hundred arrests were made and women were knocked down and injured while the mounted police cleared the streets.

GIGANTIC FRAUDS
ALL ALLEGED

Government Seized Neponset, Mass., Mills of the Joseph Brooks Company, Claiming Customs Irregularities.

Boston, Nov. 18.—United States Deputy Marshal Waters and two New York customs inspectors to-day seized the Neponset mills at Canton Junction, which belong to the Joseph Brooks company, the seizure being made in connection with alleged gigantic customs frauds. The Neponset mills were attached. They are valued at \$100,000, and one hundred workers are employed in them.

All of the Brooks mills in New York had previously been seized. Federal Prosecutor Wise of New York charges that the textile imports so defrauded the United States government out of \$10,000,000. The case against the Brooks company is one of the first to be brought by the prosecutor.

New York, Nov. 18.—United States District Attorney Wise is seemingly determined to recover for the government all the money it is claimed to have been defrauded out of during the past five years by means of alleged false invoices for importations made by Joseph Brooks & Co., manufacturers of woollens, worsted and linings, of Bradford, England, and this city. Assistant District Attorney Whitney who has direct charge of the case, said yesterday:

"The frauds involve several woolen manufacturing firms in England. The amount lost is much greater than in the sugar underweighting cases."

To further protect the interest of the government, Mr. Whitney yesterday obtained from Judge Hazen 27 additional writs of attachment, which have been served on certain banks and firms to prevent the collection of sums on deposit and accounts receivable. A factory at Canton Junction, a suburb of Boston, will also be attached.

WOMAN DIVES INTO POND.

Saved From Suicidal Attempt in Jamaica Plain.

Boston, Nov. 18.—Miss Lucy R. Tuck, 48 years old, who lives with her brother-in-law, Lieutenant-Commander Charles P. Plunkett, at 11 Governor road, Jamaica Plain, jumped into Jamaica pond just about the boat landing yesterday afternoon, in an attempt to commit suicide. John Bricker of 23 Blossom street, saw the woman jump into the water, and, throwing off his coat, sprang after her and succeeded in bringing her to the shore.

Dr. Joseph C. Steinhart of 61 Pond street, who was called, found the woman suffering from shock and ordered her removed to the City hospital. She refused to give any explanation for her act. Her brother, Lieutenant-Commander Plunkett, declined to say anything.

The Capitulation of the Upper Berth.

Nobody has touched off any pinwheels or lit the landscape with any red fire to celebrate the outcome of a certain contest which was about to pass unnoticed, but for downright heart interest, the capitulation of the upper berth will certainly rank in importance with the passing change of party ascendancy in state and national councils.

There is to be no more resistance to the orders of the interstate commerce commission, and a lower rate is to be charged for the upstairs shake-down. Aloof and defiant, it has heretofore resisted all efforts at conciliation. It was feared and hated, but still patronized. In proportion to the lower tunnels, it seemed to abound in a ratio of about 5 to 1, and as an adjunct to "nature's soft nurse" it was a mephitic failure. No man ever climbed into one without feeling that he had rather invest the money in Mexican mining stock or a charitable orphan's cry. It kept him awake just to think how much comfort the man below had bought for the same price. And the man below hated it on principle, because it roofed him in, whether it was occupied or not.

It has been disciplined at last, and the tariff on it has been revised downward. That it will ever become popular is not within the range of possibility. But, reflecting on the economy he has practiced through the night, the man who occupies it will step into the morning face of his neighbor below less grudgingly—almost cheerfully. The ground-swell of political righteousness has its place, of course, but it is the interstate commerce commission which has really fought the good fight.—Boston Sunday Journal.

There is good sleighing in the southern part of the state, there being six inches of snow on the ground in Manchester.

MOTORMAN KILLED
IN CAR COLLISION

Both Cars Were Going Down Grade and They Met at a Blind Curve Near Northboro, Mass.

Northboro, Mass., Nov. 18.—A collision between two Worcester Consolidated trolley cars at a blind curve near here yesterday resulted in the death of James Mansfield of Marlboro, motorman of one of the cars. Motorman Fred Columbia, of the other car, and two passengers were injured, but none seriously. Both cars were badly damaged.

Motorman Mansfield's car was bound from Northboro to Worcester with a single passenger, Miss Anne Haskell, 24 years of age, of Northboro. In the collision, Miss Haskell was badly cut about the face and body.

The other car, in charge of Motorman Fred Columbia and John S. Stewart, conductor, both of Northboro, was on the way from Marlboro to Worcester. Five passengers were aboard, but only one, John T. Navies, of Worcester, a liquor dealer, was hurt. He sustained various injuries. Motorman Columbia was cut about the head and hands.

The curve where the cars met lies at the bottom of a hollow, and both cars were going down grade with considerable speed when they came together. The body of one car was thrown clear of its truck seven feet. The front vestibules of both were badly smashed.

Motorman Mansfield was thrown out of his vestibule and when the cars were hurled together he was wedged between them. The use of crowbars was necessary to remove him. An automobile took the injured man to a Worcester hospital, where he died soon after. He was unmarried.

FIRE AT PETERBORO.

Town Hall and Occupants Damaged to Extent of \$10,000.

Peterboro, N. H., Nov. 18.—Fire was discovered at 4:30 p. m. yesterday in the town hall, a four-story brick structure. After a two-hours' battle the firemen extinguished the flames. The damage to the building was \$5,000. It is covered by a large insurance.

Two firms have stores on the street floor. Walbridge & Taylor, dealers in groceries and hardware, suffered a loss of \$3,000, and J. R. Miller & Sons, druggists, a loss of \$2,500. Both are protected by insurance. Two years ago next March the same building was visited by a disastrous fire and the loss was heavy.

A chimney was burned out in the town hall early yesterday and a short time after this was supposed to have been extinguished a fierce fire was discovered near the roof.

In fighting the flames several of the firemen sustained slight and painful, but not serious, wounds from falling slates from the roof. The selectmen succeeded in removing the books and papers from the safe and they were placed in the fireproof library building.

The hall will be remodeled. In the meantime the town will make use of several small halls.

DARTMOUTH ALUMNI MET.

Dr. Ernest F. Nichols, President of College, Gave Address—Officers Elected.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Vermont Alumni of Dartmouth college was held last night at the Pavilion hotel in Montpelier, with an attendance of over fifty. Dr. Ernest F. Nichols, president of the college, delivered the address of the evening, concerning the school, its membership and its aims.

Resolutions were adopted on the death of Harley T. Caverly, whose death occurred in the Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, Md., Tuesday. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Dr. C. S. Caverly; vice president, Prof. O. D. Mathewson, Barre; secretary, Charles M. Smith, Rutland; treasurer, Fred L. Laird of Montpelier. The banquet was held after the business meeting.

GOES TO ATTEND FUNERAL.

Burial of Ralph Johnstone in Kansas City, Wife and Son There.

New York, Nov. 18.—Ralph Johnstone, wife of the aviator who was killed yesterday, left this morning with her son for Kansas City, where it is expected that the funeral will be held.

Denver, Col., Nov. 18.—Accompanying the body of Ralph Johnstone, who was killed here yesterday by a fall from an aeroplane, Walter Brookings left this morning for Kansas City, the home of the dead aviator.

FEAR SCANDAL, RELAX SEVERITY

Greek Catholic Church to Take Tolstoi Back to Save Talk.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—Bishop Tamm of the Greek Catholic church, left for Astoria, this morning for the purpose of reconciling Count Tolstoi with the church. The departure of the bishop was the result of the holy synod deciding to relax the severity of the church toward the count to avoid the scandal which would result in the event of Tolstoi's being denied a Christian burial.

DEATH "ALL IN THE GAME."

Hoxsey Says Aeroplanists Never Think of Those Things.

Denver, Col., Nov. 16.—Arch Hoxsey, the team mate of Ralph Johnstone, who was killed by his aeroplane, declared that he "can't see that Johnstone's death is any reason for ending the Denver meet. It's all in the game. We don't think of those things."

DISSOLUTION OF PARLIAMENT.

Picmer Asquith Sets Date as Nov. 28, General Election Before Christmas.

London, Nov. 18.—Premier Asquith to-day announced the dissolution of parliament November 28, insuring general elections before Christmas.

REFUSED STATEMENT

Col. Roosevelt Did When He Started for Washington.

New York, Nov. 18.—Col. Roosevelt left this morning for Washington. He refused to make a statement.

BOTH TO DIE
IN THE CHAIR

Double Conviction in Lynn Bandit Case today

EXECUTION MARCH 5, 1911

Two Bandits Who Robbed Lynn Shoe Manufacturer Last June Were Found Guilty of Murder by Jury After Two Hours.

Salem, Mass., Nov. 18.—Andrei Ipsen and Wassili Ivankowski were to-day found guilty of murder in the first degree in killing Thomas A. Landregan and policeman James H. Carroll after robbing the former of \$4,000 at Lynn on June 25. Judge Aiken, who is presiding over the superior criminal court, then sentenced them both to be electrocuted on March 5, 1911. The jury was out only two hours in reaching its verdict. The sentence was received indifferently by the murderers.

The defense was that "Joe," a bandit who was killed, did all the killing, and both defendants when on the stand denied firing any shots except in a downward direction or into the air to frighten rather than harm. The taking of testimony was completed yesterday, as well as the argument. One of the witnesses was Mrs. Twarogowski, who acted as an interpreter at the time of the arrest.

Ivankowski had said to witness that on Saturday before the robbery he was looking for work and saw people coming out of the bank with money. On June 25 he and his companions came for the purpose of getting the money, and when asked who first proposed the robbery he said he did.

He said "We all shot at them." It was planned, he said, that if they got the money, they were going back to Europe. When asked who fired the first shot, his answer was, "I did."

GARBAGE MAN HAD
THE SMALLPOX

He Went About the Houses in White River Junction When Afflicted With Disease and Now the People Are Worried.

White River Junction, Nov. 18.—A case of malignant smallpox has been discovered in White River Junction, in the family of a man who has been on the streets and in the houses of people, up to the day it was reported. The person afflicted with the dread disease is the garbage man, who goes around to houses to the village and carts away garbage, and the fact that he was a couple of days before it was known that he had it, and that during that time he went about his work has caused no end of anxiety among the townspeople. A strict quarantine is being enforced by the health officer.

FALLING TIMBER KILLED BOY.

Clarence W. Mason, Aged 6, Killed at Lowell, Mass.

Lowell, Mass., Nov. 18.—Clarence William Mason, aged 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Mason of Rock street, was instantly killed last yesterday afternoon by being struck by falling timber in the yard of the Ames Pratt company. The child was playing at the time and no one saw the accident. The body was found by workmen of the lumber company when removing timber to place an order on one of the company's wagons.

PACKERS' MOTION GRANTED.

Following Trial, When It Was Charged Prosecution Incompetent to Preside.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Judge Landis this morning granted the motion of the indicted packers for change of venue to the United States circuit court, in the trial in which the charge that the prosecution was incompetent to preside was sustained.

POISON PILLS KILL CHILD.

Son of North Swansea Preacher Eats Strychnine Pellets.

Swansea, Mass., Nov. 18.—Gordon Rufum, infant son of the Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Buffum of the North Swansea Baptist church, died in convulsions yesterday after eating pills containing strychnine.

BIG RAILROAD FIRE.

Boston & Maine Roundhouse at Nashua Junction Destroyed.

Nashua, N. H., Nov. 18.—The roundhouse of the Boston & Maine railroad at Nashua Junction, containing five locomotives, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is \$75,000. The cause of the fire is not known.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

H. Biernheimer of New York City, formerly connected with the Smith Clothing Co. here, was a business visitor in the city to-day.

Thursday and Friday arrivals at the City hotel were as follows: J. C. Crow, Hartford, Conn.; J. B. Beauregard, Springfield, Mass.; C. S. Harvey, Burlington; P. C. Belknap, Bellows Falls; Mr. and Mrs. A. White, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Ploof, New York City; C. J. Hangott, Rochester, N. Y.; Edward Page, Boston; F. H. Mann, Woodville, N. H.; G. E. Dunham, Portland, Me.; H. B. Henry, J. C. Wheeler, Boston.

Everly, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pratt of Hyde Park, accidentally fell upon a pair of shears a few days ago, which penetrated her side under her left arm, making a bad flesh wound.

DRESSED IN SUNDAY BEST.

Two Men Got \$9 on a Threat, the State Alleges.

Morrisville, Nov. 18.—Edward Demag of Essex and Nelson Griffin of Westford, who are woodchoppers in "Nebraska," have been placed in the Chittenden county jail for safe-keeping till their trial on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses and in a peculiar case. It is alleged that the men, dressing themselves in their Sunday best, went to William Platt and representing themselves to be State's Attorney M. P. Maurice and former Secretary of State Frederick G. Fleetwood, demanded \$10 on the ground that he (Platt) had opened a letter which was addressed to their employer, Mr. Lawrence. The men, it is alleged, finally got \$9 from Platt.

Demag and Griffin were arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. M. Smith of Cambridge on Wednesday and were arraigned yesterday before Justice C. M. Watts and were bound over to county court under bail of \$300, which they did not furnish. State's Attorney Maurice prosecuted at the hearing and, strangely enough, Frederick G. Fleetwood, who had been unconsciously brought into the case at the start, was retained by the two respondents.

Noah Deveneger was arrested by Constable G. E. Town Tuesday night on a warrant issued by State's Attorney Maurice. He was charged with entering the house of Marvin Messer and taking therefrom a gold watch and chain. He pleaded guilty at a hearing yesterday and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 and costs of \$14.53 and return the stolen property.

MAN'S BODY FOUND
IN TOWN OF WILDER

Hunters Discovered It Yesterday—Body There Probably Several Months, Clothing Held Bones Together.

White River Junction, Nov. 18.—Two young men out hunting discovered the body of a man lying in a field at Wilder early yesterday afternoon and at once reported the matter to Selectman H. P. O'Neill. The latter at once ordered the body brought to the undertaking establishment of Irving Johnson at the Junction to await the arrival of the state's attorney. The body had evidently lain where it was found several months, some of the bones being held together by the clothing only, while it was necessary to pick some of them up separately. The man is thought to be an Italian.

YOUTHFUL THIEF NABBED

And Large Part of Money Was Recovered in Burlington.

Burlington, Nov. 18.—Wilfred Morin was arrested yesterday afternoon on suspicion of being the youth who stole \$80 from the store of J. J. White on Wednesday, and the police say that he confessed not only to taking the money from White's store but also to stealing a fountain pen from the store of the Eastern Estate Tea company.

Upon being searched \$14 was found on his person, and at the place where he had been stopping there was \$33 more. The boy was detected in the Star Department store in Winslow making heavy purchases and putting the goods in a new suit-case. Morin was intending to take the afternoon train for Montpelier.

WOMAN TOOK ARSENIC
BUT WILL RECOVER

Melvina Kingsbury of Milton Informed a Visitor of What She Had Just Done, and Efforts Were Made to Save Her Life.

Milton, Nov. 18.—Melvina Gokey Kingsbury, wife of William Kingsbury, took arsenic with suicidal intent yesterday. Although it was some time before restoratives were applied, it is expected she will live.

Mrs. Kingsbury, who is about 45 years old, took the poison while alone in the house. Mrs. Corliss Lucia, a neighbor, called soon after and Mrs. Kingsbury told her what had happened. It is supposed that the woman was suffering from a temporary attack of insanity.

COMMITTEE FROM M. E. CHURCH.

Mayor Mutch's Communication Concerning Monument Met Hearty Response.

Mayor Mutch has received the following letter from Rev. E. O. Thayer, pastor of Hedding Methodist church:—"Hon. James Mutch:

"Dear Sir: Your letter with reference to a soldiers' monument was read this evening at the first business meeting held since it was received. The proposal met a hearty response, and the following committee was chosen to represent the official board of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church: William H. Oliver, Dr. L. D. Martin and Alvin W. Gates. "Yours respectfully,"

"E. O. Thayer."

CHILD BRIDE DIVORCED.

Mattie Ryder Testified She Was Forced to Marry in 1902.

Rutland, Nov. 18.—Mattie Ryder of Brandon was granted a divorce in Rutland county court yesterday afternoon from William Ryder on the ground of adultery. The petitioner testified that in 1902 when she was but 13 years old, Ryder took her away from home and forced her to marry him and that she never lived with him because when they returned home her father kicked the bridegroom out. The girl's father, Frank Moore, testified that it was true. Evidence was also introduced, showing that Ryder has since served a prison term.

VERMONT DAIRYMEN'S MEETING

Called for January 10, 11 and 12 in Burlington.

The forty-first annual meeting of the Vermont Dairymen's association will be held at Burlington, January 10, 11 and 12, 1911.

APPOINTED
BY GOVERNOR

Many Officials Were Named at State House Today

STATE FAIR COMMISSION

Legislature Engaged in Two Notable Contests, in House on Weights and Measures, in Senate over Hotel Exemption from Taxation.

Many appointments were announced to-day by Governor Mead at the State House, including the following:—

Miss Caroline H. Clement of Rutland to be a member of the board of library commissioners for the term of five years from and including December 1, 1910.

W. W. Stukens of Ludlow to be boundary line commissioner.

Dr. F. H. Godfrey of Chelsea to be a member of the state board of medical registration for the term of six years from and including December 15, 1910.

Dr. A. S. Haskins of St. Johnsbury to be a member of the state board of optometry for the term of three years from and including January 1, 1911.

Dr. Lewis D. Mott of Montpelier to be a member of the board of osteopathic examiners for the term of three years from and including December 15, 1910.

Frank H. Tracy of Montpelier, C. M. Fletcher of Canaan, Solon S. Griswold of Grand Isle, T. N. Vall of Lyndonville and A. D. Gardner of Pownal to be members of the state fair commission for the term of three years from and including February 1, 1911.

Charles L. Corry of Middlebury to be probate judge for the district of Addison for the term made vacant by the death of William H. Bliss.

W. R. Warner of Vergennes to be a member of the public service commission for six years, to succeed Eli H. Porter of Wilmington; confirmed by Senate.

George H. Perkins of Burlington to be state geologist and curator of the museum; confirmed by Senate.

Frank M. Corry of Montpelier, H. G. Kingsley of Rutland, F. G. Butterfield of Derby and E. H. Edgerton of Rochester to be members of the board of visitors to Norwich university; confirmed by Senate.

Dr. C. L. Erwin of Newport to be a trustee of the hospital for the insane for six years; confirmed by the Senate.

Gov. Mead also announced that he has signed the following House bills:—

An act to amend No. 173, acts of 1902, relating to Clarendon and Pittsford Railroad company.

An act to amend section 10 of 350, acts of 1908, relating to Packer Cemetery association.

An act to enable the Walter Harvey Cemetery association of Barre to enlarge its cemetery.

An act authorizing the Connecticut and Passumpsic Rivers Railroad company to hold stock in other railroad companies.

An act to amend section 9 of No. 203 of the acts of 1896, as amended by section 1 of No. 151 of the acts of 1900 and section 1 of No. 325 of the acts of 1906, relating to the Rutland and Montpelier Railroad company.

House Fight on Weights and Measures.

In the House the weights and measures bill was called up and on motion of Mr. Battell of Middlebury was amended by making the salary of the commissioner \$1,400, instead of \$1,200, and fixing the pay of assistant inspectors at \$2 a day, with hotel expenses of 84 a day. Another attempt was made to order the bill to lie, but it was voted down. An amendment made by Mr. Rowland of Poulney to have the commissioner elected by the general assembly, instead of appointed by the governor, was adopted.

Mr. Rowland then moved an amendment which would take the teeth out of the bill, and he was voted down. A further motion to order the bill to lie was turned down, as was an attempt to adjourn the House. All efforts to damage the measure failing, the House finally passed the bill.

Bills Introduced in House.

By Mr. Kellogg of Plainfield, an act to amend sections 922, 923, 9643 and 9650 of the P. S. and repealing section 9658 thereof, relating to dogs.

By Mr. Bryant of Ludlow, in addition to chapter 148 of the P. S., relating to divorce. Orders appointing a receiver in divorce proceedings must provide (1) for notice to the parties or attorneys of record, of appointment of receiver; (2) of the time of sale or other disposition of property affected by said order; (3) of the time of settlement of said receiver's accounts.

By Mr. Rowland of Poulney, relating to navigation on lake Bomoseen and lake St. Catherine.

By Mr. Fisk of Barre Town (by request). An act relating to the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry. State board of veterinary registration to consist of five veterinarians of five years' active practice and residents of the state; to be appointed by the governor; pay to be \$3 per day and expenses for time actually spent.

By Mr. Martin of Hartland, relating to salaries of chaplains of the state prison and house of correction; fixes salary at \$500 per year.

By Mr. Stone of Wallingford, to incorporate the "Name of Wallingford Hotel Exemption" Bill Killed in Senate.

The Senate this morning had a lively debate over Senator Powell's bill to allow towns to vote to exempt hotel property from taxation. By the course of his remarks on the bill, Senator Powell said that if someone would furnish the capital to build a new, modern hotel at Barre on the condition that it be exempted from taxation, Senator G. Vardon would be eager to have Gov. Mead call a special session of the legislature to give the city the right to do it.

An amendment to the bill was proposed by Senator Darling of Caledonia that would allow the exemption of existing hotels from taxation, and the bill was otherwise opposed by Senators Porter of Caledonia, Archibald of Bennington and Butterfield of Orleans, while Senators Davis of Windsor and Clark of Rutland supported it together with Senator Powell.

When the debate ended, Senator Powell demanded the yeas and nays on the question of third reading, which resulted in the killing of the bill, yeas 14 to 12. The vote stood as follows:—

Yeas—Barden, Clark, Daniels, Davis, Fisk, Griswold, Hitchcock, Norton, Powell, Scribner, Seaver and Sheldon.

Nays—Adams, Archibald, Butterfield, Cushman, Cutts, Dale, Darling, Edgerton, Gordon, Lyford, Porter, Shepardson, Smith and Taplin.

New Employers' Liability Bill. For the judiciary committee, Senator Gordon introduced a new employers' liability bill to-day, to take the place of the bill which he introduced early in the session. The new bill provides that the fellow servant doctrine shall apply only when an employee is killed or injured when the accident occurs by the negligence of another in the same class of work.

The House bill creating a state agricultural school at Randolph came up in the Senate and was made a special order for this afternoon. The president announced the appointment of Senator Tappan as the Senate member of the committee to visit the normal school at Castleton. Another act was the adoption of a resolution giving the chaplains the same pay and mileage as the members. The Senate passed the House bill relating to cream tests.

LIABILITY
NOT SHOWN

So Judge Directed Verdict to Defendant Company

Sudden End \$15,000 Trial

Elijah J. Sowles, Who Was Injured in Fall of Derrick, Lost Case Against Norcross Marble Company in United States Court.

Rutland, Nov. 18.—The trial of the negligence case of Elijah J. Sowles of Manchester against the Norcross Marble company of Dorset, which was begun Wednesday in the United States court, came to a sudden end this morning when Judge J. L. Martin directed the jury to bring in a verdict for the defense after motion of counsel, on the ground that the plaintiff had not produced evidence yesterday to show the company's liability. The plaintiff had completed his evidence yesterday forenoon, and the taking of evidence by the defendant company occupied yesterday afternoon.

Sowles was injured while working at the top of a derrick at South Dorset when the derrick fell. The workman was injured so badly that he lost one leg and was otherwise injured. Much of the evidence had to do with details of the derrick construction and as to orders under which Sowles climbed the derrick. The plaintiff had sued to recover \$15,000 damages.

After the directing of a verdict for the defendant in this case, Judge Martin adjourned the court till January 7 at Rutland.

RAILROAD MEN WARNED
TO FOLLOW ORDERS

Chairman Redmond of Public Service Commission Took Occasion at Hearing in Northfield to Give Them Advice.

Northfield, Nov. 18.—Chairman John W. Redmond of the public service commission lectured railroad men at public hearings held here yesterday on two recent wrecks on the Central Vermont railroad, declaring that they have no right to assume anything but must work under direct orders from the train dispatchers. He said they must obey orders, and if they do so the commission will stand back of them.

The hearings were on the fatal wreck at Gouldsboro on August 18 and another at Roxbury on September 30, and at the same time another hearing was given on the petition for a flagman at the grade crossing near the station here.

At the morning hearing when the Gouldsboro wreck was considered five witnesses were heard and the deposition of the operator, I. P. Meunier, was received. Meunier is now in Canada. The men heard were W. Wynn, engineer on the south bound engine; E. J. Lanott, fireman on the north bound freight; W. E. Kidd, station agent; W. J. Thompson, one of the operators at the local station, and Sergeant Van Neimheim, U. S. A., retired, of Norwich university.

The deposition of operator Meunier was the most important evidence presented. In it Meunier said he went on duty that morning to relieve the regular man who was to go to Pine Camp with the National Guard. The dispatcher gave him a "31" order for extra north 411 to meet extra south 339 at Northfield. He released the catch he was in the signal and supposed it went into the stop position. It did not, however, and he was forced to back up. He had not raised the curtains and did not look out.

He was busy sweeping and doing other office work for some time. He heard the train coming at from 30 to 35 miles an hour and thought it strange it should run against a signal at that speed. When it was nearly opposite the station he looked at the board and saw it only half way in position. He was not sure about Thompson's movements, but was certain one of them pulled the signal into position as the engine passed the station.

The train did not stop and he ran out, trying to attract the attention of the crew. The engineer saw him, but evidently did not understand.

He then rushed back to the office and notified the dispatcher, who tried to intercept extra 339 at Riverton, but failed. It was then evident that an accident must take place.

BOY IN COURT AGAIN.

But Claimed Right As Witness Not to Incriminate Himself.

Pietro Pelliccia, the 19-year-old boy, who was arrested on the charge of intoxication on October 31, and who was brought into court and given the chance to claim his privilege. Pelliccia has been in this country only about three months and is unable to speak English, which made it hard for both his attorney and the court to make him